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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		<b>Fees Paid (\$)</b>
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

<b>Small Entity</b>	
<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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##### Multiple Dependent Claims

Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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In re application of:

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Application No: 09/539,421

Confirmation No. 8177

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For: IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM  
UTILIZING DIGITAL WATERMARKS IN  
PREDETERMINED REGIONS  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated August 29, 2006.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 28 of this paper.